In Loving

Memory of



Sunrise July 14, 1945 Sunset December 4, 2016

Service Monday, December 12, 2016 - 7:00 p.m. Shiloh Baptist Church

525 West 4th Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060

































<u>Reflections of Life</u>



Mary Frances Bryant departed this life on December 4, 2016 at home in Plainfield, N.J. She

was born July 14, 1945 in Newark, NJ, the youngest of three girls to the late Lizzie Delores Gooden.

Mary attended the Newark Public Schools and spent much of her adult life in Newark before moving to Plainfield, New Jersey in 1973.

Mary is married to Arthur Bryant Jr. and they have six children.

She was employed at Woodbridge State School in NJ for ten years and at Somerset Medical Center in the Nursing Department, Somerset, NJ until retirement in 2000. After retirement, she took on part-time positions at Greenbrook Manor Nursing Home, Greenbrook, NJ and lastly Brandywine Assisted Living, Bridgewater, NJ.

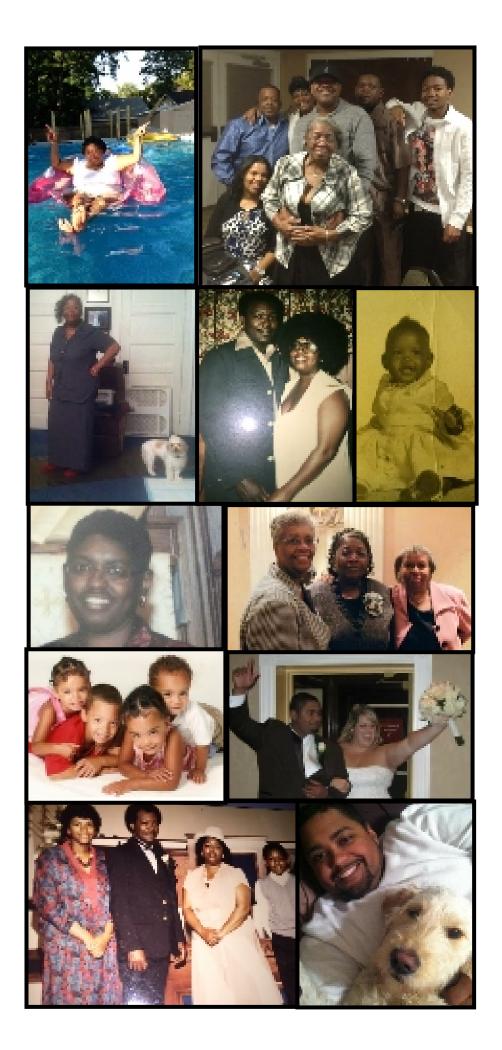
Throughout Mary's life she has always expressed a gentle-loving heart towards people and others in need. She loved her employment positions, because she loved people and it was easy to do the job because she always wanted to do her very best for them.

Mary especially loved children and provided excellent care for many children whom she cared for while the parents returned to their positions of employment. Many of those children, as they grew up remained a part of her life by visiting, phone calls and during celebrations.

Mary accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and was baptized at Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Newark, NJ. She joined Shiloh Baptist Church on May 7, 2007. She received the Right Hand of Fellowship on August 5, 2007. As a member of Shiloh she joined the Missionary Ministry Women & Men In Action and the Pastor's Team in Love PTL. She participated with these ministries until her health started failing.

Mary leaves to cherish her memories her husband of 42 years Arthur Bryant Jr., Plainfield, New Jersey, her children, Venice M Gooden, Coplay, PA Kenneth Gooden (Rashima) Somerset, NJ ,Arthur Lamont Bryant, Coplay, PA, Kenneth Ray Bryant-Charlotte, NC, Barbara Ann Richardson, Charlotte, NC, Katina Smith-Old Bridge, NJ; two sisters, Doris M. Fortney (Barry), Williamsburg, VA, Venice J. Gooden, Uncle: Gus; Grandchildren: Sharonda, Sean, Shane; Nakai, Jazzmin, and Kenneth Dwight (deceased), Demar, Tomika, Maleka, Kenneth Ray Jr, Jonah Great grandchildren: Maliec Seantea, Yelexia, Elijah, Kristian, Kyrin, Johathan, Johntarious, Daiviona, Malik, Kaelonn and many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Lovingly Submitted The Family



<u>Order of Service</u>

Rev. Sheila L. Thorpe, Officiating

Hymn of Consolation #248 "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

Time is filled with swift transition, Naught of earth unmoved can stand, Build your hopes on things eternal, Hold to God's unchanging hand!

Trust in Him who will not leave you, Whatsoever years may bring; If by earthly friends forsaken, Still more closely to Him cling!

When your journey is completed, If to God you have been true, Fair and bright the home in glory, Your enraptured soul will view!



Chorus Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand! Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand! Build your hopes on things eternal, Hold to God's unchanging hand!

Scripture Readings Old Testament: Psalm 23 New Testament: John 14:1-6

Prayer of Solace

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

Yours Was A Useful Life

Yours was a useful life, You fought a good fight while here. You were generous with your time, As you toiled from year to year.



Many a life did you touch, Always doing your best; Glad to serve when called upon With a meek and humble heart. Your life was dedicated to things Noble, Admirable and True, It was no burden for you To do the work that you did. You'll never be forgotten Though you have passed away,

The deeds you left behind Will live on each and every day. We did not want to give you up, But sleep,sleep on And take your well-deserved rest God's will, we dare not question, for He alone knows best.

We love You and We Will Miss You, Your Family

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!



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